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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Ralf M. Luche et al.
Application No. : 10/655,073
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For : DSP-11 DUAL-SPECIFICITY PHOSPHATASE
Examiner : Tekchand Saidha
Art Unit : 1652
Docket No. : 200125.418C1
Date : April 4, 2005

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 4, 2004, please extend the period of time for response five (5) months, to expire on April 4, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1, 45, 46, and 50-52, directed to DSP-11 (Dual specificity Phosphatase – SEQ ID NO : 2 and mutants), for examination at this time.

In view of the above election, Applicants hereby withdraw claims 10, 15-44, 47-49, and 53 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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